TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1881.

Amusements To-Bay.

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Advertisements for THE WEEKLY SUN, is sued to-morrow morning, must be handed in this evening before six o'clock,

### Only Two Obstacles.

sele's Theater-Where's the Cat?

Windsor Theat e-Do June, Jr.

It is suggested by several of our contem poraries that Mr. CONKLING will be Secre

tary of State instead of Mr. BLAINE. Two obstacles seem to stand in the way o this arrangement. The first is that Gen. CHARFIELD would not appoint him. The secand is that Mr. Conkling would not accept But trifles like these will hardly stand in the way of the volunteer Cabinet makers.

### Warning to the Democrats in Congress

There are fourteen working days left of the present Congress. The last days of a final session are the carnival of the lobby. when corrupt measures are put through and the Treasury is made to bleed. This svil is intensified, if, as in this case, the close of the Congress is also the end of an administration.

The Democrats have controlled the House of Representatives for three successive Congresses. With the occasional aid of two or three independent Republicans they were frequently able to carry their points in the last Senate. In the existing Senate they have an absolute majority of ten. For these reasons the country will hold the Demo-cratic party responsible for some of the wrongful legislation of the last Congress and for all the bad measures that may pass the present Congress.

The Democrats were beaten in the recent Presidential election. But, as they cast about one-half of the votes at the polls, they will doubtless meet their Republican opponents with candidates for President and Vice-President in 1884.

The Republicans are an enterprising, vigflant, audacious, well-disciplined party They have administered the Government for the past twenty years, and have become accustomed to win victories. The Democrats must have learned by this time that they are a bard party to beat, and that even when defeated, as they were in 1876, they will resort to unscrupulous and fraudulent means and wrench the triumph out of the hands of their autagonists.

The Republicans are apt at taking advantage of the errors and delinquencies of their adversaries. Indeed, they delight to place the Democrats in a false position, and then raise a shout over their consequent embarrassment. For example, in the few days that remain of this Congress, the Republicans will encourage and aid the Democrats in making lavish and needless appropriations of public money, and will help to carry through foolish and venal schemes, and will then turn upon them in the next campaign and charge all this extravagance and jobbery to the party that had a working ma-

jority in the Senate and the House. Will the Democrats bear in mind that their success in the next Presidential contest may depend upon their sound sense, and the frugality of their measures, in the fourteen days that remain of this Congress?

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The House has moved somewhat less impulsively than the Senate in the business of spending \$175,000 to bunt up the Jeannette. Almost as soon as the search project was introduced into the Senate it was favorably reported, and almost as soon as it was reported the bill was passed. The Househas been in less haste.

On the 28th day of February, 1879, HAYES approved the bill accepting the Jeannette for the purposes of exploration by way of Behring Straits. In the following May she had her steam trial at More Island Navy Yard. On the 8th day of July, 1879, she quitted San Francisco for the polar seas.

Lieut. DE Loxo, her commanding officer, had already been in the Arctic regions, having gone on the Tigris in search of the Polaris. The executive officer, engineer, ship's carpenter, and a number of the crew had also had experience in those high latitudes. When the Jeannette left San Francisco, she was equipped and provisioned for a three years' craise; and before starting, her commander expressed the opinion that it would take at loast that time, and perhaps more, to make her voyage and return.

Three years from July, 1879, would be July, 1982; why should the Senate in February, 1881, rush through a bill to expend \$175,000 for finding out where the Jeannette is, because she has not yet returned? There is even more margin for a supposition of her safety than the one just spoken of; for she was accompanied from San Francisco to Alaska by a coal and provision tender, carrying about twenty tons of provisions and sixty or more tons of coal. Thus she left St. Mithree years' cruise as at San Francisco. There is no sign of these facts in the Senate

considered facts or probabilities at all. The only reasonable ground on which there could be slarm at this early date about the Jeannette, is the supposition that she may have been unsuited to her task; and this supposition is ruled out at once as preposterous by those who are most earnest in pushing the \$175,000 appropriation.

What, then, is the real reason why the project of an Arctic search party is hurried along with no inquiry as to facts and probabilities? The answer is, in the first place, that a momentary sensation of alarm, aggravated by ignorance, is used by those who are always ready for new expeditions, to get authority and an appropriation for fitting out a new one; and it is noticeable that in the talk about the matter at the Navy Department, very little has been heard of the demands of humanity, but a good deal of the demands of science. In the second place, Congressmen do not like to be found ungraciously refusing an shops, factories, and stores within a radius appeal to go in search of gallant explorers, who, after all, may be lost. The Jeannette was seen a little more than seventeen readers; and if the same plan is pursued months ago on the way to her long errand. She may, of course, have been lost the very next day; and for fear that she may have | now will at once and greatly extend knowlbeen lost or may hereafter be, Congress-

money they vote does not come from their own pockets.

It is clear that no sooner is an Arctic exploring expedition out of sight than it beexpense. One navy authority has announced with great frankness that the department always expects to send a second Arctic expedition in search of a first. It is this point that Senator EDMUNDS brought out in debate while voting for the search scheme, and certainly it is worth while, if Congress votes the \$175,000 appropriation, that it shall not fail to note this objectionable feature of expeditions toward the pole.

#### Is the Land League Shaken?

There have been, within the past few days some signs of disorganization in the Land League, owing partly, perhaps, to the imprisonment of MICHAEL DAVITY, and partly to the apprehensions caused by the retrospective clause of the Coercion bill. Heretofore that association has not only put a pressure upon landlords, without which, probably, all suggestions of compromise would have been rejected, but it has afforded a safety valve for the popular discontent. The serious impairment, therefore, of its cohesion and discipline might turn out a grave miafortune for those English Liberals who are sincerely auxious to give some relief to the Irish tenantry, and find an equitable and lasting solution of the land problem.

There is no doubt that, in a poculiar and emphatic sense, Mr. DAVITT was the organizer of this formulable association, and it is natural enough that some symptoms of dis Integration should appear while other men are trying to pick up the threads that have dropped from his hand. It is probable enough, however, that a competent successor in his particular rôle could have been found among the prominent members of the Land League, but for the serious dangers to which such persons are exposed by the Forster Coercion bill. We should bear in mind that under the retroactive clause of that measure any man is liable to be arrested and imprisoned, without being able to invoke the writ of habeas corpus, if, since Oct. 1, 1880, he has committed any act which the Irish Government, in the exercise of its discretion, may choose to deem suspicious. Now, it is easy to show that almost every leading member of the Land League must necessarily full within the category of suspected persons, for there is scarcely one of them who has not engaged in the same kind of agitation as that on account of which the traversers in the late Dublin trial were charged by the law officers of the Crown with conspiracy and breach of the peace. Who doubts that Mr. FORSTER, armed with his new powers, will treat those actions as suspicious which but yesterday he denounced as criminal, and against which he directed all the ordinary machinery of justice?

According to the London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, which is an organ of moderate Liberal opinions, Mr. Pau-NELL has virtually abdicated the leadership of the Irish party in Parliament, which, the correspondent adds, is now utterly disorganized. The Dublin Freman's Journal, on the other hand, which may be presumed to be better informed, says that Mr. PARNELL has been engaged during the past week on the Continent in transacting financial business for the Land League. We observe that the Irish nationalist press advise the prominent agitators to stand fast and abide arrest, from which we infer an apprehension that a wholesale exodus on the part of the leaders would tend to greatly discourage the rank and file, and paralyze the whole movement.

Whether the Guardian is right or wrong

in its intimations that the Land League is seriously shaken, what we would point out is the untoward consequences that must follow a collapse of that organization. For one of two things must happen. On the one hand, the removal of the restraints heretofore imposed, on the whole successfully, by the Land League may cause an outbreak of disorder and violence over ourths of Ireland. The no doubt, would be quelled, but not without engendering bad blood where there was too much already, or without injuring the pros pect of securing liberal provisions for Irish tenant relief. On the other hand, it may be that the absence of their trusted leaders, and the presence of a military force said to have reached already well nigh 30,000 men. will produce a compulsory quiescence and apathy throughout the country. This, of course, would be interpreted by Conservative and Whig landlords to mean that there never was any real ground for the recent agitation, and that the alleged grievanees of the frish tenant were a sham. It must be obvious that in either of the alternatives named the task of the GLADSTONE Cabinet would be immensely aggravated. In a word, those English Radicals were probably in the right who declared from the outset that the Ministry would find it easier to carry through both Houses a trenchant, comprehensive, and beneficent land reform, if they would leave the Land League and the Coercion bill alone. But Mr. FORSTER thought he ought to be severe before he could be generous, and preferred to talk of British dignity, that political Molech to which the weightlest interests have, time and again, been irrevocably sacrificed.

The Library for Working Boys and Girls. What ought to be one of the most useful libraries in this country is the Apprentices' Library, established by the Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen of New York. It now contains over sixty thousand volumes, chaels as fully provisioned and coaled for a to which, besides the members of the society, apprentices, girls employed at trades, journeymen, saleswomen, school teachers, debate, nor any indication that Senators and others have free access. It also has a well-stocked reading room, which is filled to its utmost capacity every evening, the number of visitors having been over thirtythree thousand last year.

But the working boys and girls of the city, for whom it is specially intended, ought to use the Apprentices' Library far more generally and to better purpose than they now do. It offers them its privileges without charge, and yet we find only a very small proportion of the whole number enjoying them. Probably the chief reason is their ignorance of the facilities for obtaining its books. They do not know that at 18 East Sixteenth street 60,000 volumes are at

their free disposal for reading. The Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen cannot, however, be accused of keeping their literary treasures from the knowledge of the young people. Last year they placed cards and circulars, calling attention to the privileges of the library, in all the principal of one mile from Sixteenth street. The consequence was the introduction of many new throughout the city the number must be still further increased. But what we say

edge of the advantages offered. mer desir to avoid the reproach of refus- 1 It seems that the working boys and girls | of its final days

like other people nowadays in their prefer ence for fiction over what is called solid reading. They go to it for amusement, and not for improvement, as they ought to do

ing a relief expedition, particularly as the | who do use the Apprentices' Library are comes a source of public as well as private anxiety, and usually of public if not private odd thousand books classed as standard odd thousand books classed as standard literature, and eagerly seek the novels and juvenile books which make up the rest of the library.

We find from the librarian's report for last year that of fletion and juvenile literature 128,611 volumes were circulated, while the whole number sent out was only 147,790. That is about the average with all popular libraries. The solid books stay on the shelves, while the novels cannot be replenished fast enough to supply the demand More than half of the library is composed of standard literature, but of that part only about 20,000 volumes were given out to over 129,000 volumes of the stories.

Next to fletion, biography was in the most request, and yet only 3,061 volumes were circulated. Of the books on the useful arts, for instance, 384 volumes were all that were in demand, while poetry and the drama attracted more than thrice as many readers.

Books for amusement merely are, therefore, what most working boys and girls want; and those who do not work, and their elders, too, are of the same mind. It is undeniable that it is in the newspaper that the great majority of readers get their most varied, most profitable, most substantial, and best literary food.

### Death of Fernando Wood.

Mr. FERNANDO WOOD had lived the full number of years allotted to man, and had long been a conspicuous figure in polities. In former times, when Mr. Wood made political trades with his opponents, he had

the credit of fulfilling his bargains. With his tall, straight form and snowwhite moustache, he was a man of striking

personal appearance. Mr. Wood served the city as Mayor during successive terms, and was for many years a Representative in Congress, and has left behind him a reputation, municipal, State, and national.

The election to be held to-day in Philadelphia will settle the question whether the Ring power is too strong for the people to break. Democrats and Republicans who want honest government and a thorough uprooting of the scandalous abuses that disgrace the town have united on Mr. SAMUEL G. KING as the reform candidate for Mayor. Mr. STORLEY, the present Mayor, represents the old, system of municipal administration. The Press, an organ of the confederated bosses, glorifies the despotic reign of the Ring, and declares that "it would be madness to exchange this security for the hazards of an untried rule."

It will be a good thing for Philadelphia if madmen of this sort prove to be in a majority large enough to evercome the election frauds that will undoubtedly be perpetrated by the bosses who disapprove of the mania for soifgovernment.

The desks of Scuators were so heared with temperance petitions vesterday that thirty minutes were consumed by their presentation. A bill to create the Territory of Fembian from the northern portion of Dakota was taverably reported; also a bill to distribute the remaining \$143,000 of the Parraour prize money. The coan steamship subsidy amendment to the Postal Appropriation bill was defeated by being laid on the table. A number of bills and resolutions were introduced in the House, and some private bills were passed. The death of Mr. FERNANDO WOOD was announced, and a ommittee appointed to go on to the Hot Springs and take charge of the remains.

There never was much doubt that, with the men, the weather, and the course fit for rowing, the great Toronto sculler would conquer Larcock yesterday as he had conquered others before him. The result is only another demonstration of the fact that Canada is still champion at the oar, as she always has been. The so-called international contests, though held on English waters and continuing through so many months, were chiefly to decide the English scullers were practically out of the question. Hantan's return to Canada will no march and reception; and he has well won his

The reenforcements going from Great Britain and from India to South Africa show how much money and blood a great nation claiming to love liberty can expend in crushing the independence of a little far-off community. seized and annexed against its will,

The vetoed Fifteen Passenger set, limiting the number of Chinese immigrants to arrive by any one steamer, was considered very satisfac tory by the exclusionists when passed. Now that an attempt is to be made to procure its reennetment, some of the California newspapers point out that it might not prove an effective measure after all, since the Chinese can first make their way to the Sandwich Islands, coming thence in small schooners. They can charter these schooners at Honolulu in numbers to suit, and can make the voyage pay them by taking freight. Thirty of these schooners could bring 450 Chinamen to San Francisco every month, which is 5,400 a year, or 100,000 in less than twenty years. At the same rate the whole of China's alleged population of 450,000,000 could be introduced into the United States in somewhat less than 90,000 years. These appailing figures will be urged upon the attention of Congress.

Mr. Beltzhoover of Pennsylvania in his fervid oration in the House on Bill No. 4,909, to create a department of agriculture, makes these

historic points: "Coxcussares the mighty martial leader and states can, was called from his plough to take command of his country's armics in the hour of her greatest dancer. Care, the consor and distinguished erator, wrote a book on farming, and held it as his proudest work. The Roman. Senate ordered the twenty-eight books of Mana of Car-thage on agriculture to be translated for the use of the Romans. Caro and Vanno and Vinit and Conventa and Priny and Pattieres were not only the sweetest posts and greatest historians of the golden age, be wrote equally bridiently on tarming "

Since Le Duc is destined to join these sweet poets and great historians in immortal fame by reason of his melodious annual reports and his essays on tea culture, he could gain no additional honor from being made a Cabinet officer.

That Cincinnati, the Paris of America, is also the real metropolis of the United States becomes evident in Gen. WALKER'S announcement that the geographical centre of our population is in the Ohio town of pork and music. The census of 1870 showed that this geographical centre of population was then about fortyeight miles northeast of Cincinnati; the southward and westward movements of the past ten years have brought it within the confines of that city. Cincinnati is the centre of the population of this country, and Deacon RICHARD SMITH is the central figure of the population of Cincin

Baroness Bundert-Courts has been for so many years regar led as a public institution for dispensing charity that many people were astonished to find her proposing to marry anybody, of any age or nation. They would have been hardly more surprised to find a Sheltering Arms or a Children's Hospital or the Bank of England proposing to marry.

The ROACH subsidy follows the Eads subsidy onto the table-two virtuous deeds done by the Forty-sixth Congress amid the temptations

### THE PICKET LINE OF SCIENCE.

The Work of Forty-one Astronomers, Pro-fessional and Amateur, for 1880. The Smithsonian Institution has collected

statistics concerning the progress of astronomy in the United States, which are published in ar interesting report. In the fall of 1879 circulars were scattered over the country, requesting professional and amateur astronomers to send to Washington brief accounts of their instruments and their observations. Replies were received from forty-one observatories, of which twenty-four are private, and the others are connected with colleges or academies. Beveral of the observers have constructed their own talescopes, and many have made their observations from door yards, windows, and roofs. The story of their experiences is all the more interesting on that account. Many of the most important discoveries in the heavens have been made by observers who had to deprive themselves of needed sleep, and to work without any of the costly equipments of an observatory This report shows that the astronomers of the door yard and the roof have fairly kept pace with those who make their observations sented in the padded chairs of the big observatories. They may comfort themselves with the recollection that William Herschel's observatory was

The various objects chosen for special observation indicate the direction in which the science is being chiefly developed. This is unmistakably toward the practical side. Thus fifteen of the forty-one observers have given special attention to the determination of exact time. This is a matter of the first importance for what Edward Everett entired the eternal lockwork of the skies is the source of all our enfoulations that depend upon the lapse of time. Thirteen of the observers have devoted them selves specially to the study of the sun. Recent observations tend more and more to prove that the sun influences the earth's weather, and that when the causes that produce sun spots are most active the earth is subject to the most violent meteorological disturbances.

Twelve observers have spent most of their time in watching for comets. These self-appointed sentinels are by no means to be regarded as mero curiosity bunters. Astronomers admit that the earth may be in danger from comets. If one should fall into the sun it would, in all probability, produce such an outburst of heat as to destroy every living thing on the earth. The comet of 1680 was simed so close to the sun that even Newton feared it would strike it. The great comet of 1843 went yet closer. In fact, it grazed the sun, and the great sun-spot that appeared in that year is believed to have been caused by the fall of an enormous meteorie mass tollowing in the track the outburst of light in the sun on Sept. 1, 1859, which was accompanied by an electric shock that produced startling effects in various quarters of the earth, was caused by the downfall of other meteors belonging to the train of the same comet.

The next most interesting calestial object for our star gazers appears to have been Jupiter. Eleven observers have paid special attention to him. The wonderfulred spot that has adorned the disk of the giant planet for over two years has attracted many telescopes, and has given rise to a great number of speculations. The conclusion seems to be that Juniter is not yet a habitable globe, but is a red-hot bail that is gradually cooling down, so that ages hence, when the earth is dead, like its comrade, the thoon, life may bloom out in Jupiter.

Next to Jupiter in popularity comes Saturn Seven observers have taken particular poins to study his splendid rings and the little swarm of eight moons circling about him.

Four have watched Mars, three Mercury, one Uranus, and one Neptune. Two have spent much time among the barren mountains of the moon, measuring the height of lofty peaks, triangulating in the beds of dried up oceans. and searching in nooks and corners from the Bay of Rainbows to the crater of Tycho for some possible indication of remaining life.

Three observers have been watching for a giimpse of the shy planet Vulcan, which, as its name implies, does not fear to face the flery sun at close quarters; one has been looking out for asteroids, and three have kept watch for me-

toors and shooting stars.

The nebulæ have attracted special attention from only one observer, though it is probable that since Prof. Draper has recently succeeded in photographing the nebula- they will be more studied. The gaseous nebule are believed to be solar systems yet in a state of chaos, without claims of Australia against Canada; for the | form and void. Three observers have paid special attention to photographing the moon. stars, and planets, and four have spent most of doubt partake of the character of a triumphal their time with the double stars, which are among the most beautiful of all celestial of Counting and making charts of stars has chiefly accurated the time of four others.

The Smithsonian Institution has sent out new circulars, and next year a still more interesting report may be looked for.

#### Mr. Jay Could has Confidence in Stanley Motthews's Integrity.

WASHINGTON, Teb. 13. There is a strong feelfraid. There is general confidence in Mr. Matthewsie integrity and ability, and on apprehension is felt among the majority of the Senate that he would strain his power on the supreme bench. For that matter charge that he is a salined attract could be as mathy made against some of the Judgary Committee them-selves, unoug them. Mr. Educants, was argued two sailroof cases in the Supreme Court last fell yet t nomination for a similar office.

## St. Valentine's Increasing Business.

Perhaps on no day in the year is the postman's appearance so eagerly welcomed by the children and their elder maters as on an Amentine's Day, when he bas by far his largest mail to deliver. Perhaps no day in that day mercase his burden. Each year to the older people, who have about forgetten their own valenting days, the observance of the sentiamital fastival seems less general, but the Post Office records show that the contager generation is not agreed its opportunities to make love approximately in firmed and time their me-

mans love anonymously in figured and this lied mea-surements and the this needs of the city delivery and yester-last that the this needs of the General Post office had been extraordinary during the day, and he had had despitches from all of the anisolation that the number of variations was unusuable large. From Station D it was reported, "The suggests are overtupelited," The superintendent of Station G telegraphic 4. The number of valuations at this station among accommung, and K reported, "Much leaving than last year," in each case, too, it said that the valuations analog when for delivery in the district where they were deposited. The only stending positions thought the years when the intermediate in the station of the thought the years of the pen at one end, and sent at third-class posture rates. class posture rates.
About 10-1-28 valentines were sant through the Brook-avia Post Office vesterday. The earriers on their return morning traps were everision with them.

## Bistelbuting the Hospital Fund.

The committee appointed to distribute the spiral Saturday and Sanday Pund met in the Maver's Haspital Saturday and Sunday Funt mer in the Maver's office yesterday. On the recommendation of Samuel D. Habarck and Houry E. Pellew the money was distributed as follows: \$2,000 to the Institution for the Renef of the highway and Crippela, \$5,000 to the Journal Size Hospital Hospital States of the Manne Size Hospital States of the Habarch Size Hospital States of the Habarch Size Hospital, \$2,000 to the Habarchan Hospital, \$4,000 to the House for Jensteller, \$1,000 to the Gridoreller, \$4,000 to the Gri

A Lawyer who Figured in Dorr's Rebellion. David Parmenter, the aged lawyer who was at icken by paralysis as he slepped from a Meid avenue car, on his way to Justice Towns's court, a few days ago, died yesterday morning at 1,000 Futton avenue. He was 74 years old. He was been in New Hampshire, and was a strassingle of Freshelm Proce. He flagred in Dorr's rebellion in Bludde I sign), and was arrested for two son and impresented that the son and impresented the hirty seven days. He declined office under President Pierce, preferring to open a law office.

#### A Train Wrecked by a Boulder. CINCINNATI. Feb. 14 .- The engineer of the

south-bound freight train on the Cincinnati Southerbroad, when near Sloan's Valley on Saturday night, saw a huge caldiar on the track. He reversed and called brakes, at it was the late, teering that hand a young brakeman, roungly anxieted the call, and is the wrest was intently killed. The engine and six cars were thrown out the track.

# How to Get the Revised Bible.

As the English University Presses have post poned the publication of the Revised New Testament till the middle of next May, the President and Secretary of the American Committee of revision give notice that the after of a memorial cony of the first University estition for a contribution of 6th or move, toward the expenses of the committee, is extended till May I.

THE LITTLE GERMAN BAND. Strains that are Not Appreciated in the fits

die Batiding-The Painter-Poets. The announcement was made in an even ing newspaper a few days ago that a wealthy lady, living at 10 West Fourteenth street, employs a street hand to play in front of her house every evening, much to the annoyance of the artists in the adjoining Studio building. The intelligence was accompanied by the following:

There's a little German band, With three boys and a man, That plays near our house every adernoon; Thera's a flagcolet in B.

A cornepenn in C.

A sacabut and a trombone out of tune A Sun reporter called at the Studio building, 6 and 8 West Fourteenth street, and found Mr. Edward Moran in his studio surrounded by brie-a-brae, artistie kniek-knacks, pietures,drapery, statues, wax figures, models in wood, models in cork, models in pusteboard, models in rags, and models in firsh and blood. The models in flesh and blood were two little children in Normandy costumes, standing on an alleged beach and trying to gaze with some interest into the face of a figure supposed to represent a Norman mother. The children didn't seem

to be much interested in this sort of a mother. "Poor children," said Mr. Moran, 'I can't wonder that they become weary. Did I write that poem? Well, now, really I am too modest to acknowledge it, but still- The fact is, so many poems have been perpetrated on account of that little band that it would be difficult to trace thom. This one does look familiar. However, I don't distinctly affirm that it is mine. It may possibly have emanated from Hallott, the engraver, who has been heard by impartial witnesses making blood-curling prophedics about the future of that band."

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"Why, she is Mrs. Hicks-Lord, every way a charming lady! but she insists on having this band play in front of her house every morning at 9 and every evening at 6. The result is that the artists in this building, while struggling for some fine effect or shade of color as the day declines, cager, absorbed, and anxious, are thrown flat on their backs, metaphorically speaking, by a shrill note of warning from a consumptive clarionet, followed by a rattle from the drom, a shrill note of warning from a consumptive clarionet, followed by a rattle from the drom, a shrill from the free a rumble from the drom, a shrill from the free armble from the resuments fall in together and blay "O Gilligan's Ghost." About 5 o'clock we begin to dread the approach of the band. Everything goes wrong. At 6 the first dim forebodings are realized by the premonitory toot, and then the agony is on us. I have tried to bear it with patience, thinking that, after all, it only lasted for a few moments, morning and "night, and the best way was to grin and bear it; but the after effect is mess severe."

"How many musicians are there?"

"Sometimes four, sometimes five, and sometimes six. The follow who plays the flute looks like a real-need Mephistopheles in despair, His legs are flute-like, except that they're crooked his eyes are bird-like, except that to Jan emaritated poet whom intemperance that of an emaristed poet whom intemperance has brought to the pass of playing a file in a street band. The man who plays the trombone defies description. They make such horrible sounds that I should think nobody would want to hear them more than once."

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sounds that I should think nobody would want to hear them more than once.

Mr. George Fairlax was found in another studio pointing a small landscape.

Well, 'said he, 'it is an awful band, but I'm so used to that sort of thing that I don't in had it. When I was in Baltimore an unhabity organ grander located himself under my window and ground out. Mollie Dariang, 'Father's Teeth are Fingged with Zine.' The Skids are somewhere or doing something, and all that sort of thing, from morning till night. On Sundays he took a day off and went into the country, but that dain is stop my musical trems, for there was a real-haired girl next door who was currently reported to have been desappointed in love. She had a concerning that dailed the world in ambiguity. Although she blayed an day Sunday and far into the night, no one of the neighbors ever dispovered what y was that she played."

Perhaps she was hurmonizing."

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"Well, if she was, she certainly produced stupendous effacts, but not ally ever fathomed them. As I said, I have been theroughly initiated, and have arrived at such a state of absolute indifference to street sounds that the band has no effect on ms. Have I written any poetry? Well, if you want poetry, go down stairs to George Putnam's studio, and ask him for that ode."

The ode was as fellows:

The state is presented and and set the true.
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The sweet at eventide to hear the fluid Straily telling its wild and squeeting lay. The angules of me thore is districted the. Occurs in it brought by remove to A.7. The conserting a wild impressioned flight. But sweeter is it will by far to hear. The artist, in his yellow schere does. Bristing his value in sanines to the right, And making his way www of vencames when he holds the bend within his cintches ught.

The holds the band within his cinches stable.

"Pray understand," said Mr. Putnam, painting vigorously, "that I don't claim to be the author of this ode. To be sure, the agency we endure is enough to writing positively assert that I did it. Speaking of poetry, here is an effusion from the gifted pen of Harry Watrous.

As the reperter took the poem, Mr. Watrous who was trying to get a fine light on a nece of crimson drapery, jumped from his chair with:

"No, you don't. I don't care to have—that is—that isn't my poem. Don't attribute it to me. I wrote the other—no. I didn't write—

"This poom was as follows:

Tries's a intrinsected than calways tight who we have of internity's sight;

Ver the eather it provides.

Pot its Francised land quite out of sight.

"We'll now," said Mr. Watrous, "since my

"Well now," said Mr. Watrous, "since my poetry, or, I would say, what is erroneously called my poetry, is dranged before the pittless gaze of the public, I, with great calmness and decision, bey you to publish this sanguinary threat from Mr. Hitch:"

thren From Er. Hattir.

(b) for a chief a club rigartic in its size;

(b) for a middle where he one can introde.

(b) for a spot where he one can introde.

(c) the the bent Based would run like water from the

Mr. Hitch, who had been painting quietly near the window, arose at this, and said, in a deeply tragic voice:

I am not the man. Hist! "Twas the model!"

This true," said the other gentlemen in sorrowful chorns. "Twas the model!"

They all pointed toward the corner of the room. The model was there. His natty-side whiskers and moustache were nearly dressed. His hair was parted in the middle. He was dressed like a muscular Greek and he looked it, excepting his head and legs. When he heard the accusation, the model raised his club in the air and said:

"Or will brain the first man who has the impugence to call me a poet."

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The reporter descended and rang the bell at Mrs. Hiess-Lord's mansion. The door was connel by a colored servant in full dress.

Mrs. Lord is not home, sir." he said.
"There's a considerable good deal of trouble about this band, but it's a harmiess sort of an affair, any how. We don't hire 'en regular, bey simply comes and comes and comes, an' when they gits here dey plays. That's all, Good mornin', sir."

## The Tenement Cigar Business.

Good mornin', sir.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 .- A bill of interest to the eight business has been twice read in the House, and is now before the Committee on Ways and Means. It provides that on and after Say 1, 1881, the place where the manufacture of cheroots, eigars, or cizareties is to be carried on as set forth, described, and finited in the man-niacturer's statement and bond, shall not be used by any uncturer's statement and bond, shall not be used by any nerson receiving wages or salarr as a dwelling, or for any once boundfull or domestic purpose. It further be ovides that eights, the roots, or chart the manufactured in any lactors, any part of which it has been by any employee as a declarate, or cannot impedically or appreciate purpose, and therefore, or the manufactured or appreciate purpose and interest she shall employ any person, or came or almost unity permit to be manufactured eights, the owner, and of the control of the state of the manufactured eights, the owner, and of the control of the control place, and the ministed by a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$500 or by my prescribestion not less than one meant no more than twelve months, or both such shoes and increasingment.

#### Charity in San Francisco. From the Sun Francisco News Lotte

A number of gentlemen recently formed a clab whose object way to turnish continue to deserving instagent men, in order that they major more readily their except applications for clothes, and it, after extra language the deserving majorant proved satisfactory, to give the deservised the applicant proved satisfactory, to give the deservised to him, it possible. The club referred to instance dissolved in disgust, finding the cheests to strong such definite or him, it possible. The club referred to instance dissolved in disgust, finding the cheests to strong such definite of the first thread the condition of the more first thread to the condition of the cloth of the action of the superstance. So the strong the condition of the clothest of the clothest of the clothest of the clothest of the superstance. So the strong thread the clothest of the superstance applied to the superstance of the manager, said affective bed into the contest fast be divided multiple with the society's sigents.

#### Turkey Rug Smith. From the Propilation Just

Among other Washington weddings has been that of Fremshee South a die Novy, who sher having the first party of the reason is single, these diese, has weak and won Mass Mone Barbert of Warren, feminyirenna, charming miss who has not seen to globen summing. I britise here as a misseum of works of art, charm and lar, a brase with such a wealth of Orientals and party that he was a wealth of Orientals appears that he uponates, when he was in the Levant, used to call him forkey dug smath."

## Gen. Smith's Affliction.

Gen. Smith is suffering from inflammation of the ever resulting from a severe cold. He is promitted from resolving and ording and is unable to perform his duties as Police Commissioner.

ALDERMAN WELLS SITS DOWN. The Sergeant-at-Arms Enforcing Order in the

Unorganized Board. Alderman Joseph J. McAvoy (Tammany presided over the meeting of the Board of Aldermen yesterday. Upon taking the chair he directed that a ballot be taken for President of the Board. The roll was called, and each Alderman named his choice. Alderman McAvoy Tammany) received 8 votes; Alderman Hawes (Republican), 6 votes; Alderman Sauer (Tammanyi, 3 votes; and Aldermen McClave and Hilliard (Ropublicans), 1 vote each; Aldermen Coggy, Keenan, and Slevin were absent. The Clerk announced the number of votes which each candidate had received, and the Chairman declared that no choice had been made. Then Alderman James L. Wells (Republican) asked whether the Chairman would entertain a motion for a recess. The Chairman answered that such a motion would be in order. There-upon Alderman Wells sent to the Clerk's desk

the following: no following: Resided, That when this Hoard adjourns it be to meet pon the call of the Clerk of the Common Council within we day affor the pressee of the following act, which he Legislature of this kints is respectfully, and negently cutested to pass as toom as needed. the Legislature of this State is respectfully and urgently requested to pass as soon as possible;

"The people of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do react as follows:

"Secrice I Within five days after the passage of this act the Addresses of the city of New York now in editer shall meet to the Addresses of the Induced State of the Addresses of the Induced State of the Addresses of the Induced State of Induced State of the Induced State of Induced Indu

declared President.

See 2 On the first Monday of January of each year the
Board of Alberman of the city of New York shall meet at
moon and elect a President in the manner provided by

"See a This act shall take effect immediately."

As the Clork handed the resolution to the Canirman, Alderman Sauer (Tammany) arose and inquired whether it contained a motion for a recess only. Alderman Wolls asked that it be read for the information of the Bard. Chairman McAvoy examined the resolution and decided that it could not be entertained under his ruling that a motion for a recess might be unde.

Alderman Wells at once arose and asked, "On what grounds do you decline to entertain this resolution?"

"The gentleman is out of order, and will take his sent," Chairman McAvoy replied. Then he directed that another ballot for President be taken.

Alderman Wells remained on his feet, and again asked, "On what grounds?"

"You are out of order, and will sit down," the

Alderman Wells remained on his design asked. "On what grounds?"
You are out of order, and will slt down," the Chairman said, and the Clerk called the roll. The second bailot gave Mayoy 7, Hilliard 7, McClaye 1, and Sauer 3.

After the vote had been announced, Alderman Wells arese and renewed his motion to consider his resolution. consider his resolution. Chairman McAvoy again ordered him to sit

consider his resolution.
Chairman McAvoy again ordered him to sit down.
Tappeai from the Chair's decision that my resolution is out of order, "Adderman Weils said.
I tell rout as it down," the Chairman again said. "No business is in order except balloting for President of the Board.
Alderman Weils paid no attention to the Chairman's order, and said that he should remain standing until his resolution was read. Thereupon Chairman McAvoy orderded Mr. Wa'sh, the Sorgeant-at-Arms to make Adderman Weils sit down.
The Sergeant-at-Arms stepped up to the Alderman and asked bim noditely to sit down.
The Alderman redded savagely. "I will not sit down, and you will not put me down."
Why will I not put you down?" the goodnamed sergeant-at-Arms inquired.
The Sergeant-at-Arms thereupon put his band on the Alderman's shoulder, and the Alderman then sat down.
A thirth ballot was taken, which resulted in no choice. Then, on motion of Alderman Sheils, the Bengin down set to the land on the Alderman step the first that he was taken, which resulted in no choice. Then, on motion of Alderman Sheils, the Bengin advanced to Maniar and the sat

deman then sat down.

A third ballot was taken, which resulted in no choice. Then, on motion of Alderman Sheils, the Board adjourned to Monday next.

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After the adjournment Charles B. Walte, a Republican Alderman, said to some of his collegues. That no Sorgeant-at-Arms would make him sit down.

Alderman McAvoy, who was one of the group, at once said: "If you are discorderly in this Board when I'm its Chairman, I'll order you to be put down."

You would have no authority to order me to take my seat," Mr. Walte retorted. "I can stand if I choose."

Alderman McAvoy asked with a sneer, "Do you think that you swn this Board?"

"Don't you ever send a Sergeant-at-Arms to put me in my seat." Alderman Walte replied.

If the Sergeant-at-Arms ever puts his hand on me by your orders, you will be responsible for the consequences. That's all."

The two City Fathers then turned on their hoels and walked from each other.

### TRAVELLERS' RINKS INCHEASED. The Inspector-General's Oploton of the Change

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 .- The recent action of the Board of Supervising Inspectors of Steam Vessels in reducing from sixteen to four Inches the space required to intervene between the woodwork and bodiers of steam vessels will have to be confirmed by the secretary of the Treasury before it sees into effect. Mr. Isaac L. Fisher, President of the Steamboat Union Association of New York has written to Supervising Inspector Concrat Damont, sacing that the change of requirement has given

#### The Problem of the Three Brooklyn Tailors and the Vest.

To the Epiton of The Sun-Sire Mr. A., having sufficient coefficients possession to make a vest, and wishing to heave town at a given from takes the goods to a tapar, who save that he can make the vestal anhour. Mr. A says he will not wait, and goes to another railer, who says he will do the job in two bears, Mr. a. heaves had religible, and the sate monther tailor. The North .

White in a turry, No. A collection three tables together an feets them all to wark upon the vest. The civil was soone if, however, the holy displace could wark at least they took regular turns of the minutes on and five minutes of and five minutes. form did it take the three tallers to make that

The Boers. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sie: Will you allowing a few remarks in answer to the letter school-ing the sid of our German population for the Transcall Beers' No doubt some German ideal flows in the veins of a few Boers, and of rourse it is natural that Germans

## Hope Deferred.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Site: I insured the lare Association of America, and raid my present for the years. The company explicit in 197 Louis, I surremisered my poncy to him. The visit, as informed for assumed to the visits of \$11.

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## A Franklin Cent.

To the Editor of Tan Sun-Son: Many years since I came into possessi in of an uld. Franklim cent.
It bears the date of 1787. On one side is the sandal and sun; underne athere the words " Mind your budges, and in the sides "Firms, 1787," on the reverse a circle of the near rings linked together, shreaded no one ring on which is stamped "Linke thates," and is the course "We are one "It is supposed to have been essent by Dr. Frankin Con any sets beater tell no according about the a fit value."

#### Dogs in the Streets. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SUL NO STRAY

dogs should be allowed to wanter about our steeds either in summer or winter. Two things are undentable: Dogs are more er less

# Elegy Written in a White House Parlor.

Soon March will toll the knoll of paying Hayes, The years of fraud will have a debetol cod, And he and his their solitary ways Home to Ohio mourning will need,

Pave that perchance some science of the stock Until their heads be brought to darnight's block. Or lifted on the tor of Centiling's lead.

Back in Framiont, whence he - ... A re'er have seme Remote from public haunted - I would be The votce of honors probe will be done do ut-And he may court an earned observity.

The traits of forzery, results of erime. And all that made a swindled people blied, Augit alike the nevertable time The paths of transit to dark damination lead

No more for him will consciences be wrung; No more for him will rushers break the law, No more for him will rushers go indusing; No more will be another's salary draw,

### BUNBEAMS.

-The Masonle fraternity, according to ms atest figures, has 44,500 members in German

The girls of the high school at Spring. field, Mass, have been told that they will be suspended at they " exchange significant glances" with the boys

Joshua L. Smith committed suicide, at

Fond du Lac, on his 19th birthday. He had long de-clured that he did not wish to become a centenarian, ... The enormous increase in the consumption of cigarettes is shown by the fact that in 1870 taxs were paid on 12,881,417 eigarettes, fand in 1880 on 40

-The Golden Rule says that "it costs a community more to support one Equor saloon than a does to run half a dozen churchics," and the Relative to orte that "there's more fun in the one saloon than in the

-A burglar entered a miser's residence at Corpus Christi, Toass, stole a trunk, suspensed to contain mosey, carried it a mile away, opened at and found noth-ing of value. Then he returned to the house in anger, demanded the miser's money or life, and received a bulle; -The Rev. Mr. McLean appeared as a missionary among the Swedes at Red Wine, Mina, ac-The pair did effective revival work for several weeks

Then the Rev. Mr. Helquerest arrived, with prost that the woman was Mrs. Helquerest, who had cloped nits the Rev. Mr. McLean. -Gull Island, at the end of Long Island Sound, owned by Capt Brooks, who keeps the light house, is a great breeding place for gulls and a source of profit to its owner, who sells the rull, eggs. They have no fishy taste, but, on the contrary, are superior to heas-eggs, selling for fifty cents a desen when the latter are

worth only twenty-five. -Clarence H. Thayer, the choir master at St Peter's Episcopal Church, Cambridge, Mass, refused to conform to the ritualistic manner in which the Rev. Edward M. Gasher conducted the services, and was therefore compelled to resign. The rector openly accused him of lying and stealing, and he brought a swiffer \$2,000 but recovered only \$20 -A melancholy man at Dayton, Ohio, for

ten years constantly carried the means of suchle in his pocket, so is to be ready for self-destruction whenever he It like it. Sometimes the thing was a dose of notice the drug teing either areenic, landanum, or hydrocyans acid; cometimes it was a pistol or knife; and not infrequently it was a neat noose of rope. At length, when nistortune crushed him entirely, he found that the re hef at hand was laudanum, and he used it effectively.

-A return of offences other than agrarian n Ireland in 1880, presented to the House of Commun-hows that the total number of such offences was 3.084 Of these ningteen were murder and forty-four manslaugh

ter. The total number of cases in all Ireland in which

offenders were convicted was first the number of cases in which effenders were made amenable but not convicted 420; the number of offenders awaiting trial is 155; the number of cases in which offenders were neither con vacted nor made amenable, 1,815.

-According to the Hotel Mail, every lady of station in Austria knows how to cook. They do not carn the art at regular cooking clubs or at home, but they go to the house of a prince or rich hanker where here is a famous chef, and learn from him. When a chef engages to cook for any one he reserves the right to receive and instruct as many young ladies as he please When a banquet is to be given he notifies his pupils, and they come to watch the process, without necessarily

knowing the mistress of the house. At this time it would

be a great breach of stiquette for any member of the family to trespose upon the cook and his department. —The Landon Truth reminds those alarmed at the prospect of Mr. Gladstone's coming legislation of the subject of land that the Premier is binned a landord Mr. Gladstone owns nearly 7,000 acres in Fint and Lag eashire. In fact, the landed interest is pretty well repr 200,000 agree and £180,000 a year; Lord Spencer, 27,000 acres and £40,000 a year. Lord Kimberley, 11,000 acres and £35,000 a year. Lord Northbrock, 15,000 acres and £12,000; Mr. Dodson, 3,000 acres and £25,000. Lord flundy, who has just enrolled himself in the ranks of the Afministration, is lord of 10,000 acres and £27,000 a year

-One of the most famous printing estab-Habmonts in France—that of the Labores—has right hun-dred tens of tope, and the following working plant. Three of Morinous's rotary presses, two presses of two colors, twenty retiration unachines; five white paper acachines; seventeen hand presies; four Minerva presies; four slean folding room. Eversorment, one hydraulic prose, thus percussion presses, stereolyping rooms, a carpenter's shop, a machine shop; six thousand procheors, fines, thousand matrices, but theusand woodents. Five hous-dred working nere employed, and many of the grands

works in French literature are here manufactured -Philadelphia has a new Century Cooking Club, composed of women, who have hired a competen instructor, and are tearning how to rook well. The Free dent says. There is a false also previous that possessional resulting is a costly incury, whereas he advantage of thorough knowledge in this art is not also in preduring good results, but in producing them by the sim-plest means. Good cooking, in other words means re-nomical cooking. The ignorant cook is the wasteld gook, but in the hands of one who understands her bus ness the simplest food is made attractive, and an ertotal cost of \$1.50 for the provisions, as follows:

Black hear some 2% quarts, stock ble , leans be, eige de , lemon 4e. Cusk a a creme, deb wie, mik se., ege ve. Macaroni 14c, cubes Se, oil 10c, egge-Saind, cabbage the, celery Se, oil 10c, egge-spice Se. Potate saind, potates de, spire in Firwed celery, celery 7c, sauce to Sucw poulding, polatice 15c, benon Se, egg-ta-mish Se, stear 10c

(we) who have the place in a state of hand that drawled man drawled man. This has been done with a version that of should be the control of t ardinals, and the Prefect of the Scane last year anoth; is the exceeded a vard in the minutelpal stanghter begow enter style and a yard in the number of the about the brows of the Villette at the disposal of the savarts, in order that they magnifest out the markets. The experiment at the same less than the play is the same of the same we are take that he play is the same of whose the three drankers must allow by rewealths that of most that then drankers we apparatis most allowed rewealths that of most tent then drankers must allow by against the behavior of a tiply against the behavior of a tiply against the behavior of a tiply against the behavior of the same of indication of what a tipsy man's would be what an drust of the rame liquors. However, we leave that the purwhatakes absuiche is distigur, then excitable irritable combailse, and finally drowey; the pur who has heady mixed with his food is cheerist all through the he take to strep, the rum-swilling pig becomes and and sometim almost at once, while the pig who takes gir conducts himself in eccentric ways, grunting, squeeting, tillug his tread against the style door, and rising on his bind idea?
It to smill the wind. Dr. Deceisne, writing on three in
t-xicated swime in the Proper, remarks that they are

none of them the worse for their year's tapping, who

may be regarded as satisfactory on the province accord

- The London World, in an article on the whom, after many other actresses had been me the role of Noon was finally intensted. For ustaexcept that she was a gay, pleasal art flows for this difficult part was a more confecture. But she has achieved an mode of Amounting to a writer in the facility. We from the Meeting ner one day near the Parhe asked her where the was plant. I know nothing as yet of which pends the same care is altown in her a dresses, when she is still invance. the Magnetic du Louvee, by and by, we Budrigues. More splendid, but Avenue de Villiers. Timedires, of ered with a thousand thouse, very

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